

Famous Abductions.

Marriage by abduction was by no means uncommon in the early ages. The daughter of the king of Argos was abducted by a Phoenician. The Greeks carried off Europa from Tyre and Medea from Colchis.

Next to the abduction of the fair Helen, perhaps the most remarkable in its political consequences was the king of Leinster's taking away of the wife of a neighboring petty sovereign, O'Rourke of Breglin.

The king of Connaught avenged the insult and drove from the throne his brother of Leinster, who appealed to Henry II. of England for aid to recover his lost sovereignty. The Norman conquest of Ireland followed, with centuries of war and devastation.

Nelson Won the Elgin Marbles.

Lord Elgin, whose name has become so inseparably associated with the famous sculptures, never saw them in their original places in the Parthenon. He employed artists to make him drawings of the sculptures, and it was they who urged him to have the wonderful relics of ancient Greece removed to England to save them from destruction. Elgin repeatedly appealed to the port for permission to remove them, but the request was refused until Trafalgar. As soon as he heard of Nelson's victory the sultan said, "You may take them now as soon as you please."—London Mirror.

No Nervous Strain.

Crawford—The elephant sleeps only five hours out of every twenty-four. Crabshaw—Very true, but just stop and consider that the elephant doesn't have to attend lectures or the opera, listen to sermons or war talk or lend an ear to some fellow's description of his newest baby or car, and you will realize that he has a pretty soft time of it, taken all in all.—Life.

No Hope.

"Your digestive system is all out of order," said a doctor, after examining a patient. "The best advice I can give you is to discharge your cook and get a new one."
"It can't be done, doctor," answered the patient sadly. "I'm married to her!"

Back Thrust.

Mrs. Puritan—My ancestors came over in the Mayflower. I'd have you know, Mrs. D'Acanstic—that may be, but they might not be allowed to land today.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Why He Was Quiet.

"What did he have to say for himself?"
"Nothing. His wife was with him."—Judge.

Might Have Been Worse.

Rheumatic Patient—Oh, doctor, I do suffer so with my hands and feet!
Cheery Doctor—My dear woman, don't think what inconvenience you would have to suffer without them!—London Mail.

BELLIGERENT SHIPS
NOT FOR AMERICANS

Washington, Jan. 6.—Congressional legislation to prohibit Americans from traveling on belligerent vessels appeared today to be a possibility as the result of the liner Persia torpedoing. At the same time, congress evidenced a growing sentiment for an embargo on America's munitions traffic. Administration leaders admitted that the senate's intervention in the international situation, as shown in yesterday's acrimonious debate, is causing uneasiness. They confessed, however, that this discussion serves the salutary purpose of indicating American feeling regarding submarine warfare slaughter and to this extent is a helpful feature.

The senate and house foreign committees will meet tomorrow to consider submarine and other international issues pending before them.

President Wilson's desire to minimize congressional debate is aimed to prevent introduction and consideration of inflammatory resolutions, for he fears these might hamper diplomatic negotiations through creating bitterness abroad.

In the Persia case, the administration still waited for information as to whether a torpedo or a mine sank the liner, and if it was a submarine attack, what nation was responsible.

Until this information is at hand the government plans no steps in the situation.

Terrors.

Bug originally meant a goblin. The Welsh word bug signifies ghost. The Hebrew word, which in Psalm xci, 5, is represented by terror, was in the early translations rendered bug, the verse reading, "Thou shalt not need to be afraid of any terror by night."

His Feet.

"Did you hear about that deaf mute at the wagon factory?"
"No."
"He picked up a wheel and spoke."

Sincerely Wrong.

The most dangerous people in the world are the people who are sincerely wrong. Conscience is like a compass and needs constant readjustment.

"Thank you that thy word and thine action must be true."—Seneca.

Man and Woman.

When a man gets into trouble the first thing he thinks of is, "How shall I get out of this fix?" When a woman gets into trouble her first thought is, "How shall I best bear this misery?"—Winifred Black.

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THE MAMERTINE PRISON.

Where King Jugurtha and St. Paul Were Imprisoned.

The reputed place of St. Paul's long imprisonment, the Forum, is the center of the noblest ruin of Rome. Not far from the center of the busy, noisy, modern city rise the sacred ruins of her ancient glory. Here are the temple of Saturn, with its eight columns; the often copied three columns of the temple of Castor and Pollux, the arch of Septimius Severus, the temples of Vesta and Caesar and many other famous ruins, and beyond are the palaces of the Caesars. Not far away is the magnificent column of Trajan, 147 feet in height, around which run reliefs of the emperor's wars, containing, it is said, over 2,500 sculptured human figures.

Close to the entrance to the Forum, this most wonderful collection of the ruined monuments of ancient times, is a small church called the Church of St. Giuseppe del Falegnani. Under this church are two dungeons, an upper and a lower, called the Mamertine prison, and from a hole in the upper chamber prisoners were lowered into the noisome hole below, sometimes to perish miserably of starvation, as did Jugurtha, king of Numidia, with whom schoolboys become so familiar in their first year of Latin.

In this dungeon, uncounted thousands of Christians believe, St. Paul and St. Peter were imprisoned, and every year on the night of the 4th of July representatives of all the churches of Rome assemble by torchlight and "in solemn silence kneel in front of the traditional pillar."—Christian Herald.

ART WORK IN WOOD.

A Striking Cameo Effect and How It Was Produced.

"I saw a new thing in the art line the other day which surprised me and, I may also say, pleased me," said an art resort dilettante in a group of kindred spirits. "It was what the artist called a wood cameo, and it was something I had never seen before."

"That it was wood did not appear as it hung on the wall, and I asked him for particulars. It was about a foot square with an oval center, containing a bas-relief of a Greek goddess. The square was in ebony and mahogany and the head in white wood."

"He had secured his cameo effects by first building up his square with the three layers, glued and pressed so tightly that there were no marks of cleavage, and had cut through them exactly as cameo carvers cut through the usual shell cameos. The ebony front was plain, but finely polished, and the entire effect was excellent."

"He told me it was his first finished work, though he had been practicing for two years, and, while he was not entirely satisfied with it, there was considerable consolation to him in the fact that he had an offer of \$100 whenever he wanted to dispose of it."—New York Sun.

He Proved It.

"My dear child," said the fond mother, "if you marry Henry, do you think he will have the force to lift himself above his fellow men to a level with you?"

"Why, of course I do, mamma. Don't you remember how he climbed the eight stories to our apartment the other night when the elevator was broken?"—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Puzzled Him.

Uncle Ben, a very careful old dandy, was a witness in a shooting case. "Were the shots simultaneous, uncle?" inquired the prosecuting attorney. "Well, boss, you see, hit was dis way," replied the witness, with great deliberation. "Dem shots come so close together dat I can't be sho' ef dey was or not."—Argonaut.

Nice Job.

"What line did you say you were in?"
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Losing His Senses.

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Japanese Houses.

A number of causes have affected the size of the Japanese house, which seems much too small for a comfortable habitation in the eyes of the foreigner. In the first place, the people themselves are small, the average height of the Japanese male adult being five feet three and one-half inches and that of the female four feet nine and one-half inches. As it is the usual custom to sit on the floors upon cushions, with the legs bent beneath, great height of ceilings is not desirable. The low ceilings may also be attributed to the lack of any heating systems other than the small charcoal brazier known as the "hibashi." The frequency of earthquakes throughout Japan has been a largely contributing cause as well, and the question of expense in a country where economy reigns supreme has also had a powerful influence.

Odd Cures For Seasickness.

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